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For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendments will be entered, but do not place the application in condition for allowance because of the reasons below. The amendments to the claims overcome the claim objection over claim 2 but do not overcome the 35 U.S.C. 103(a) rejections. Thus, all rejection of claims 1-10 and 12-20 are upheld. There are no arguments to addresses since the Applicant has stated in their reply that arguments will be addressed in the upcoming Appeal Brief.

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